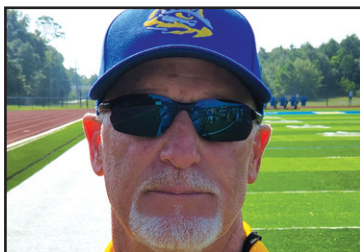


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BATTLE OF THE BAY



BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

Cannon fire and cries of "Vive la France" echoed through Old Town on Saturday as the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse celebrated both the 205th anniversary of the Battle of the Bay and the 320th anniversary of the European discovery of the Bay of St. Louis.

"This has been a celebration 320 years in the making," Dr. James Keating said before the event kicked off on Saturday.

Keating is not only a member of the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse, he's also a longtime member of the Hancock County Historical Society and an avid historian. During Saturday's proceedings, he prostrude Bernardo Vicente de Galvez y Madrid, who was the governor of theta territory when it was under Spanish control.

Tadd Turner portrayed Jean Baptiste LeMoynes, Sieur d'Bienville, who along with his brother Pierre LeMoynes, Sieur d'Iberville, led the French expedition that first hoisted a European flag here in 1699.



Photos by Geoff Belcher

On Saturday, the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse celebrated both the 205th anniversary of the Battle of Bay St. Louis, but also the 320th anniversary of Bienville's "discovery" of the Bay.

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128 years of the Sea Coast Echo: We're still here

*Reports of my death
have been greatly exaggerated."*

-- Mark Twain

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

The phones have been ringing off the hook this week at the Sea Coast Echo, with concerned readers asking questions like, "Where's my Saturday paper?" and "Is it true a new company bought the Echo?" and "Are y'all going out of business?"

Let me be clear: (1) We are not going out of business. (2) No one bought the business -- it has been owned by the same family for the past 51 years, and they have no intention of either selling it or shutting it down. (3) The Saturday paper is no more. From now on, we will only publish the print edition on Wednesdays. However, as you can hopefully see from today's edition, from now on the Wednesday paper will be bigger, with more color, more photos and features, more in-depth stories and, overall, more of what you buy a newspaper for.

We're also beefing up our web presence. We've always posted breaking news and the top four or

five news and sports stories from each paper online, but now we're putting more emphasis on the Internet side of the business.

The simple fact is, more and more folks these days want to read the news on their phones and tablets. Print is going out of fashion, and newspapers across the country have been dropping like flies.

The Echo isn't dying, but if we hadn't made some difficult choices recently, it surely would have.

We will still publish a print edition, hopefully forever, because a lot of people still like to feel the paper in their hands, and clip out the photos and stories about their kids to post on the fridge. However, like every other industry, developing technology will determine the future.

I read an article recently by Poynter Institute for Media Studies, which sums up the situation rather nicely:

"When they say 'local news is dying,' they really mean local newspapers. And even that's not specific enough, when it's really about hedge fund- and chain-owned newspapers. Local newspapers, specifically those that are locally

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SMILES FOR SENIORS: Community gives back in big way to Memorial Woodland Village Nursing Center

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The seniors citizens at Memorial Woodland Village Nursing Center in Diamondhead on Tuesday received an early Christmas surprise.

Chuck Clark, who is the store director at Rouse's, said when he moved back to the Diamondhead store, he wanted to get more involved with the facility.

"I wanted to reach out and make sure everyone had a very Merry



Photo by Cassandra Favre

A senior resident at Woodland Village Nursing Center in Diamondhead received a shawl, donated by members of the community.

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Supers eye stormwater drainage program

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The Hancock County Board of Supervisors on Monday approved a motion to formally spread on the minutes the findings from the Stormwater Drainage program, which was presented at the Dec. 2 meeting.

At that meeting, Zoffee Dahmash with Waggoner Engineering presented a Watershed-Based Stormwater Assessment and Management Plan. Along with the supervisors, officials from Bay St. Louis, Waveland, and Diamondhead attended the presentation.

Dahmash said the scope of work involved three phases, which included gathering data; development of an implementation program; and ongoing program support services, which includes identifying potential funding options.

A watershed or Hyrdologic Unit Code is the "area of land that drains to a particular point along a stream," Dahmash said. The characteristics of a watershed include: Slope, drainage, size, shape, phisiography, geology and soils, climate, and vegetation.

Dahmash said that a watershed-based approach is

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Christmas from the community," Clark said.

Clark reached out to the community via social media and invited people to participate in "Sending Smiles to Seniors for Christmas."

Clark said he coordinated with Woodland Village's activity director June Griggs to find out what the seniors might need this year.

Soon, Clark said, he began receiving gifts from people in Diamondhead, Kiln, DeLisle, Pass Christian, Bay St. Louis, Waveland, and from other areas throughout the state.

Clark said that one of Woodland's volunteers, Carol Foose-Stealey, helped keep track of the items collected.

"She came to the store several times, packed the items, and kept track of what we needed," he said.

The items collected included: scarves, hats, blankets, sweaters, and crossword puzzles, to name



From left, Chuck Clark delivers a Christmas present to a resident at Woodland Village Nursing Center.

a few, Clark said.

Clark said he has known several people who come to the facility.

"I know the need this place has and I wanted to help fulfill some of them," he said. "Thank you to the community for all the love and help they've done for this program."

Griggs said there are 120 residents at Woodland Village. There were enough presents to hand out one to each resident on Tuesday. In addition, there were enough items collected that all the seniors will receive another gift on Christmas Day.

"We actually have a

Christmas party every year and the staff and family members provide the gifts," she said. "This year he (Clark) adopted us and the response was overwhelming from the community. It makes them (seniors) feel like they're special, like they're not forgotten."



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A resident peers inside her Christmas bag.

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The residents of Woodland Village Nursing Center received a special holiday surprise, courtesy of the efforts of Chuck Clark and his desire to ensure that everyone has a Merry Christmas.

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What the holidays mean to me

The music of composer John Williams is quite powerful.

He composed the film scores for "Star Wars," "Jaws," "E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial," the Indiana Jones series and the first three Harry Potter films, to name a few.

Over the weekend, I watched the first "Home Alone" movie, which I haven't seen in years.

The first moment I heard John Williams' score, I was instantly reminded of holidays past and years where I seemed to enjoy Christmas more.

When I was a kid, the excitement about new things to play with was always in my mind. I couldn't wait to see what was under the tree for me on Christmas morning. I would make a list and hope to see those items under our tree.

For the first 22 years of my life, we had the same Christmas tree. It wasn't a fancy tree, but it was ours, and it was filled with numerous family keepsakes such as our first Christmas ornaments, handmade ornaments from school or Girl Scouts, or other ornaments that had a special meaning attached.

Now, I'm not one to blame all my problems on Hurricane Katrina, but when she blew in, she blew away those childhood mementos like my tree and sentimental non-replaceable ornaments.

The first Christmas after Katrina, when I thought I would try living in Colorado, my parents and sister flew up to see me for Christmas.

It was a rough year for all of us and finding that Christmas spirit seemed more difficult.

The night we opened presents, my parents made my sister and me open a special gift together.

When we opened it, we both burst into tears. It was an almost exact replica of our Baby's First Christmas ornaments. Then my parents started crying.

It's hard to explain the emotions. Seeing such a sentimental piece recreated after a half-year of tragedy was quite bittersweet.

As I've gotten older, I've asked for fewer and fewer things each Christmas because for me it's become less and less about the things.

This Saturday, I waited in line for nearly 30 minutes just to get to a checkout line, where I waited some more to purchase my nephew's Christmas gift. Yes, I am a procrastinator and my darling nephew is worth the wait, but I digress.

The holidays, and not just Christmas, have become so overly commercialized. I'm not anti-consumerism, after all it does make the world go 'round, it seems, but I'm constantly worried that the real meaning of the holidays gets lost in the frantic race to purchase all the things.



Staff Column
By **Cassandra Favre**

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Civil asset forfeiture continues to go after low dollar offenses

The idea that the state can take your property through forfeiture when you have not been convicted of a crime does not sit well with many people. And it doesn't even do what its supporters like to promote.

The basis of civil asset forfeiture is formed around the idea that your property can be connected to a crime and forfeited to the state, whether you have been convicted of that crime or not. Supporters will often talk about the need to use civil asset forfeiture to deter large drug operations that may cross Interstates 10 or 20. But is that really happening in large numbers?

According to our analysis at Mississippi Center for Public Policy of the civil asset forfeiture database, only 12 percent of seizures have occurred along an interstate route over the past two years and the average seizure is valued at a little over \$7,900.

While that is a relatively low number to begin with, there are several out-



Guest Column
by **Brett Kittredge**

liers that skew the numbers up. Ten of the seizures are of \$100,000 or more and the sum of those adds up to a little over \$2 million or 47 percent of all seizures. Those 10 seizures have an average value of \$204,220, but only represent 2.1 percent of all seizures.

Removing the seizures of \$100,000 or more lowers the average to \$4,837. The average of the seizures with a total value of less than \$50,000 is \$4,274 and represents 97 percent of all seizures.

The vast majority of seizures are valued at less than \$10,000, representing 84 percent of all seizures.

Even smaller were 161 seizures for less than \$1,000 or 34 percent of the total.

Cars and weapons remain the most popular items to seized, but we also had video game consoles, televisions, and a collectible \$5 bill.

The state has begun to slowly move in the right direction when it comes to civil asset forfeiture. A few years ago, the state mandated that all forfeitures be posted on a central database. This is the only reason we have a view into Mississippi's civil asset forfeiture world.

And then in 2018, the legislature let administrative forfeiture die when the law authorizing the program was not renewed. Previously, administrative forfeiture allowed agents of the state to take property valued under \$20,000 and forfeit it by merely obtaining a warrant and providing the individual with a notice.

A massive offensive was launched earlier this year to reinstate administrative forfeiture.

Fortunately, those efforts were unsuccessful in the legislature.

Still, the bar remains low for forfeiting property. The state is still allowed to seize and keep property through civil forfeiture, a process that requires the state to go before a judge for an adjudication of whether the property should be forfeited, even if the owner does not file suit.

In reality, the cost to recover property, meaning attorney fees and court fees, is often higher than the value of the property forfeited, leaving little incentive to attempt to get your property back.

Seeing the unfairness in such a system, many states have begun to go further in protecting fundamental property and due-process rights. To date, 18 states require a criminal conviction to forfeit most or all types of property. And three states – Nebraska, New Mexico, and North Carolina – have abolished

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Mandatory Sentences

When the Crack cocaine epidemic hit the nation and Jackson in the early 1990s, it was a shock to our society. Gangs increased. Property crimes increased. Addiction increased. Violent crimes increased. The attitude was lock 'em up, and I was among those leading the charge.

Thirty years later, with our prisons bulging, incarceration costs skyrocketing and new research accumulating, the nation's attitude has done an about face.

Like anything else, with better communication, better technology, time and studies have furthered our understanding of what works and doesn't work. Progress is being made but it's slow in implementation.

One byproduct of the tech boom is a class of uber rich tech billionaires who have enough money to fund efforts to improve our nation through education and political activism. Not everybody is going to agree



Guest Opinion
by **Wyatt Emmerich**
Publisher of Northside Sun

on all the causes and solutions, but there can be no doubt these uber billionaires have the resources to raise awareness and move the needle of public opinion.

The group fighting for criminal justice reform is called Fwd.us. With 64 full-time bright energetic young people based in Washington fighting single-mindedly for their cause, things can change,

especially when Mississippi, along with Arizona, Oklahoma and New York, are the four focus states for reform.

Just last month Oklahoma, perhaps the most conservative state in the nation, released 430 inmates convicted of drug crimes.

This was the result of Oklahoma House Bill 1269, which limits prison time for many low-level and nonviolent drug and property offenses. The bill came after a public ballot initiative was approved by 56 percent of Oklahoma voters three years ago to change the punishment for these types of crimes.

The initiative also required the state government to estimate the money saved by lower incarceration costs and use that money to fund rehabilitation and mental health services. These are big changes in a hyper-conservative state.

Now fwd.us is focusing on Mississippi. A new report provides details on

how drug use incarcerates addicts for decades at a time, costing the state an exorbitant amount of money.

This is where politics makes strange bedfellows. Our Republican state leadership is focused on cutting state expenditures as a top priority. The Department of Corrections, with a budget around \$400 million, is one of the most expensive agencies to run. Our Mississippi Republican leadership may be anti-crime, but they are even more anti-tax increase.

It would be one thing if our Department of Corrections lived up to its name and was a model of rehabilitation, education, therapy and training. But nothing could be further from the truth. Our prisons are dominated by criminal gangs where you are more likely to get raped and beaten than learn a skill. The main training in prison

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Local senior citizens deliver Christmas Cheer



The seniors from the Hancock County Senior Citizens Center on Thursday brought 57 handmade quilts to the residents of Dixie White House Nursing Home in Pass Christian. The seniors in the quilting class made each blanket, Hancock County Senior Citizens Director Arlene Johnson said. Johnson said the staff at Dixie White House Nursing Home have taken such good of the seniors, including some of the center's former participants. The seniors also sang "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" to the residents.

Photos by Cassandra Favre

Bay City Rollers donate to good cause



Echo staff photos by Geoff Belcher

The Bay Rollers Cycling Club on Saturday conducted its sixth annual Christmas bicycle give-away. The 13 members of the club this year were able to raise enough funds through cycling events and donations to procure 50 bikes for deserving local boys and girls. They hosted this year's event in Bay St. Louis at the Hwy. 90 branch of Hancock-Whitney Bank. Club President Myron Labat Sr. welcomed children to the event, and thanked Hancock-Whitney Bank staff for partnering with the club to make it possible. Bank staff also prepared treats and goody bags for the children. "We try to make sure that all local kids how need a bike this Christmas will get a bike," Labat said.

Hancock High School is proud to recognize its Students of the Month for November 2019

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Freshman Student of the Month is Madison Fleming. She is the daughter of Tara Waldron. After high school, Madison plans to go to college to become a marine biologist. Her most influential teacher is Ms. Katie Vining because she is an amazing teacher. Madison's favorite thing about being a student at Hancock is coming to school and learning things.

Rachel Rowe is Sophomore Class Student of the Month. She is the daughter of Del and Marcus Rowe. Rachel is a member of Beta Club, Interact, and Future



Madison Fleming



Rachel Rowe



Grant Holladay



Payton Authement

Business Leaders of America. After high school, she plans to go to Ole Miss and become a doctor. She is most inspired by Ms. Kayla Karl because she is always in a good mood. Rachel's favorite things about

Hancock High are the caring teachers and the friendliness of everyone.

Grant Holladay is Junior Class Student of the Month. He is the son of Danita and Rick Holladay. Grant is a member of History and Government

Club, Renaissance Club, Spanish National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Interact, Beta Club, Book Club, Track Team, and Cross Country team. He also performs as our school mascot, Hanc the Hawk. When

he graduates, he plans to go to college and study an area of science or linguistics. Grant's most inspirational teacher is Mrs. Franco because he aspires to be as kind and hardworking as her.

Grant's favorite thing

about Hancock is the wide array of extra-curricular activities the school has to offer.

Senior Student of the Month is Payton Authement. He is the son of Leah and Douglas Authement. Payton is a member of the football team and the video game club. In the future, he plans to become a video game creator. The teacher who inspires him the most is Dr. William Tucker who told him to never give up. Payton's favorite things about HHS are the activities we do at pep rallies. Hancock High School is proud to recognize its Students of the Month for November 2019.



Photo submitted

The Jack A & Gertrude W. Wilson Animal Welfare Fund, a Fund of the Gulf Coast Community Foundation awarded Friends \$20,000 to support our efforts to have every pet dog & cat in Hancock County spayed or neutered. Vouchers are available to Hancock residents to have your pet dog or cat fixed at no cost by emailing friends@friendsoftheanimalshelter.org. Please include the following in your email: name, address, phone, dog/cat, male/female. Please allow at least two weeks to receive a voucher.

12 Days of Christmas at PCES

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PCES is hosting the Twelve Days of Christmas to help families in need in our local community. The drive began on Wednesday, December 4 and the final collection day will be Thursday, December 19. The PCES students have generously been giving

books, blankets, toothpaste, coloring books, socks, toys, slippers, deodorants, clothes, soaps, markers, and hats/gloves! As students bring in their items each day, they place them in their "House Box"! This is a "PCES House Challenge", the house with the most donated items will be rewarded for their generosity!

GCCFCU hosts Coffee with a Cop



Photos by Cassandra Favre

Gulf Coast Community Federal Credit Union in Bay St. Louis on Thursday hosted the monthly Coffee With a Cop event for law enforcement and first responders of Hancock County. The event is held to give the public an opportunity to get know its first responders.

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Arts host annual Juried Exhibition Awards

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The Arts Hancock County on Saturday, Dec. 7, hosted its annual Juried Exhibition Awards at Waveland's Ground Zero Hurricane Museum.

The event featured more than 50 pieces of art by 26 artists.

Paulette Dove served as juror of the event and presented more than \$1,300 in awards.

Winners included:

- Best in show:

Carolyn Busenlener for "Moods on the Bayou."

- Two-dimensional/Mixed Media category: First place went to Ann Madden for "Eat Fresh." Second place went to Melissa Brauen for "Emerging Territory."

- Photo/Digital category: First place went to Romi Voorhies for "Insemination."

Second place went to Armand Doroux for "Cypress Sunset."

- Three-dimensional category:

First place went to Solange Ledwith for "Sky Meadow Sunrise."

Second place went to Regan Carney for "Pine Cone Heart."

Honorable mention went to Erin Perkins Curet for "Abundance Abound."

The exhibit will run through Dec. 14 at the Ground Zero Museum, located at 335 Coleman Ave. in Waveland.

Learn more about the Arts Hancock County at www.hancockarts.org.



Photos by Cassandra Favre

Scenes from the Arts Juried Exhibition awards.

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is how to be a good gang member.

Now just imagine putting someone mentally ill or addicted to drugs in this situation. It is inhumane, expensive and will do nothing to improve our state. That's what fwd.us is trying to make us understand. Whether they are right remains to be seen, but our current situation is certainly not working.

The idea of prison is to provide a disincentive to break laws. But that assumes some level of rational decision making. Addicts are far beyond that. They are addicts. They need treatment. They are incapable of rational decision making.

Fwd.us latest report shows how Mississippi's habitual offender laws are incarcerating some drug addicts for their entire life, costing

Mississippi taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars a year.

The habitual offender laws sentence drug offenders for life if they commit three felonies in their lifetimes. Since hard drug possession is a felony, it's not hard for a poor addict to get a life sentence.

As of June 2019, there were 2,635 people serving a sentence handed down under Mississippi's habitual laws.

To get a life sentence, one of the felonies has to be "violent" but our state law considers breaking into a garage a violent offense. It's easy for a poor addict, desperate for drugs, to get a life sentence.

The report (<https://www.fwd.us/news/we-all-pay/>) states:

"The data reveals that decades-long sentences are routinely handed down for minor offenses in Mississippi. Nearly 250 people are

serving 20+ year habitual penalties for nonviolent offenses. The majority of people serving these very long sentences for nonviolent offenses were convicted of drug-related crimes. There are currently 154 people serving 20+ habitual sentences for drug offenses, and 31 people are serving 20+ years for the lowest-level drug offense: drug possession.

"Like long sentences in general, life sentences are not reserved for the most serious violations of the law. Seventy-eight people are serving 50 or more years in prison for drug crimes, and 21 people have been sentenced to die in prison for simple drug possession as a result of the habitual laws. These life and virtual life sentences are especially alarming, because they represent the most punitive action the state can take against an individual, short of the death penalty."

• MEANING

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I used to enjoy Christmas shopping, as well. I loved scouring the stores to find a particular gift for each person on my list, something I knew that they would enjoy.

Nowadays, I'm lucky, as evident by my frantic Saturday, to get the gifts in time to ship off to my nephew, sister, and brother-in-law.

Then there's the whole Santa Claus and Elf on a Shelf business. I won't go too much into my whole feelings about the jolly old soul and his minion, considering I'm often called a

Grinch when I do.

Some parents use Santa and his sleigh full of presents as a method of eliciting good behavior from their children. I feel that teaching your children how to be caring and nice human beings without expecting a reward in return is a better way to go.

Sure, Santa is magical and all that, and the pictures turn out great, but what lessons are we really teaching the children, that's it's only right to be nice when there is something in it for them?

Or maybe I am just a big Grinch after all.

For a lot of people, the reason for celebration is the birth of Jesus Christ.

However, they too for the most part participate in the – in my opinion – less religious part of the celebration.

Now that I'm older, I really think more critically about what the holidays mean to me, which is why watching "Home Alone" triggered so much nostalgia for me.

It's about being with your family, because one day, like Kevin did in the movie, we might wake up and they won't be there anymore.

The stuff we acquire in life, while often useful and pretty to look at, will come and go. Our family and friends will not come back.

The film reminded me

of all the times I shared with family members who are no longer with us.

This is not me telling you to stop buying gifts or scolding those who perpetuate the belief in Santa or the elves, it's simply my own thoughts on Christmastime. I still think it's a magical time of year. I enjoy the music, the festive lights, the holiday films, and the egg nog, but I do wish it were more about the people and less about the stuff.

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civil forfeiture entirely.

That is the direction in which Mississippi should continue to move. Criminals should not be allowed to keep their ill-gotten gains, but it

should require a criminal conviction before the state can keep that property.

Because, save for a few outliers, rather than busting drug kingpins, law enforcement is more likely seizing iPhones, guns, or small amounts of cash.

The truth is that we don't have to

choose between supporting law enforcement or safeguarding civil liberties. We can protect our communities and our Constitutional rights.

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Date: November 20, 2019

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WHEREAS, on November 9, 1992, Candee L. Breaux executed a certain deed of trust to and Frank W. Niemeyer, Jr., as Trustee, and the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, beneficiary, as Beneficiary, which deed of trust is of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock, County, State of Mississippi, in Book 378, Page 147;

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● **BATTLE**
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Donald Rafferty, a founding member of the MKOTSH, served as a period-dressed emcee for the event.

Robin Rafferty, another founding member, portrayed King George III. Bay City Councilman Larry Smith stood in for Mayor Mike Favre to portray Mayor John Toulme, who led the city back during the actual Battle of the Bay. Al Copeland

spoke about the 1810 rebellion against Spain when this area was still part of the Republic of West Florida. Jimmy Fagin portrayed pirate Capt. Jean Lafitte.

Albert Ghergich portrayed the pirate "Long Beard," a staple of the MKOTSH Pirate Day events. "I think it was

excellent opportunity to fool kids into learning history," Ghergich said.

he Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse gets its name from the USS Seahorse and the Battle of the Bay between the United States Navy and British Navy on Dec. 13, 1814.

Although the U.S. Navy ultimately lost the engagement, it was credited with delaying the British enough for Gen. Andrew Jackson to rally his troops and volunteers and win the Battle of New Orleans, which was the final battle of the War of 1812.



On Saturday, the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse celebrated both the 205th anniversary of the Battle of Bay St. Louis, but also the 320th anniversary of Bienville's "discovery" of the Bay. Period-dressed characters spoke about the history of how Bienville founded Bay St. Louis, the British influence of Bay St. Louis as it became part of British West Florida, and the effects of the American Revolution on the Bay as well as the signing of the Treaty of Paris, ending the French and Indian War (Seven Years War).

Photos by Geoff Belcher

A COWBOY CHRISTMAS



Hundreds of people lined up along the parade route in Kiln on Sunday for the annual Cowboys Horse & Wagon Parade. Santa Claus drove the lead wagon and, after the parade, met with children at the Kiln VFW hall for photos and refreshments.

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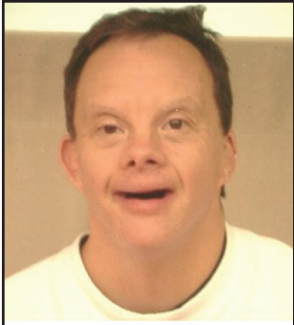
Obituaries

JAMES BROUILLARD
ESTER LEE KING
BRIAN DEWAYNE MITCHELL
PATRICIA SAIK
DANNY MARK SMITH

JAMES BROUILLARD

James C. Brouillard, 57, of Hampton Falls, NH, formerly a long-time resident of Coventry, Rhode Island, passed away on December 6, 2019.

Jamie was the beloved son of the late Roland H. Brouillard and Alice M. Brouillard. Brother of Christian Brouillard and his wife, Karen, of Hampton Falls, NH. Loving uncle of Noelle, Danielle, Joseph, Cassandra, and Amanda, all of whom he enjoyed spending time with. Jamie was an accomplished athlete, having competed in the International Special Olympics. He enjoyed daily exercise and athletics including walking,



weightlifting, tennis, and darts. He was active in the Catholic Church and was a 3rd Degree Knight of Columbus. He was also an avid fan of professional wrestling, UNH Women's hockey, golf, and syndicated television. Jamie was employed for many years at the J. Arthur Trudeau Memorial Center workshop before his retirement. He enjoyed the Florida sun-

shine and wintered there with his mother. Visitation will be held Thursday, December 19, 2019 from 9:00 – 10:00 AM in the Iannotti Funeral Home, 415 Washington St. (Rte. 117), Coventry, RI. Funeral service to begin at 10:00 AM. Interment at RI Veterans Cemetery, Exeter. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Jamie's name may be made to the J. Arthur Memorial Trudeau Center in Warwick, RI. <https://www.iannottifh.com>

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ESTER LEE KING

Ester Lee King, 96, of Lafitte, LA passed away Friday, December 13, 2019 in Lafitte, LA. She was preceded in death by her husband, William F. King; daughter, Elaine Miller; son, Charles William Blankenship; brother, Curtis Blankenship and her parents. She is survived by her daughter, Sandra Farve (Fred Allen) of Lafitte, LA; five grandchildren, Fred, Jr., Rodney, Frank, Tiffany and Anthonia; three great grandchildren, Fred III, Sheylyn and Gabberial and brother, Harmon Roberson of AL. Visitation was held Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home from 10:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with a prayer service at 1:00 p.m. Interment followed at St. Mary's Cemetery in Bay St. Louis, MS. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS was in charge of the arrangements.



BRIAN DEWAYNE MITCHELL

He restoreth my soul: he leadth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Psalm 23:3

Funeral Service for Brian Dewayne Mitchell, age 39, were held on Saturday, December 14, 2019 at Greater Emmanuel Baptist Church where Rev. Alex Wesco, Jr. is Pastor.

On December 5, 2019, the Lord looked down on his vineyard and decided it was time to call forth one of his faithful laborers, Brian Dewayne Mitchell.

Brain was a graduate of Picayune Memorial High School Class of 2000.

If you knew Brian, then



you knew that he loved the Lord, his dogs, cooking, his family and friends and his Mossy/Nissan work family. His personality was unique and he would give all he had to make someone's day. Brian courageous smile will be missed and his helping hands.

His celebration of life will be remembered by his

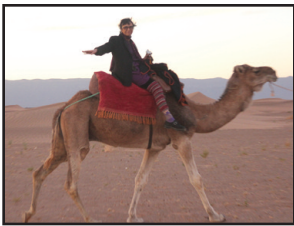
loving and devoted wife of twelve years, Jananita Acker-Mitchell; daughter, Darriana Hall Mitchell; three sons, Elijah Mitchell, Isiah Mitchell and Da'Shun Acker; his loving mother, Martha Mitchell; stepfather, Jason Syive; two brothers, Nicholas (Kiyomi) Mitchell and Aaron Whitehead, two sisters, Maria (Phillip) Mitchell-Smith and Shaderica Ratcliff; his Mossy/Nissan family and a host of other Uncles, Aunts, family and friends.

Interment will be at the New Palestine Cemetery. Entrusted to Brown's Funeral Home

PATRICIA SAIK

Patricia Elizabeth Saik, 72, a long-time Bay St. Louis resident who was active in many community groups, died December 15 at her home on Third Street. She was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer in September and began hospice treatment soon afterwards.

She was born and raised in Hammond, Louisiana, where her Lebanese-American family was prominent in business, real estate, and civic affairs. Her father, the late Saleem "Sam" Saik, and her younger sister, Debora Saik, both served as mayors of the city. Mr. Saik was the first Lebanese-American mayor of Hammond and Debora Saik (then Debora Pope) was the first woman mayor of the city. Ms. Saik was educated at the Lab School of Southeastern Louisiana University, attending from kindergarten through high school. She was an honor student and also the winner of several beauty pageants. She attended the University of Alabama, where she enrolled in the College of Commerce & Business Administration, one of the few women students in that era. She majored in marketing and was named the department's top student in her senior year. Other honors included Who's Who in American Colleges, Mortar Board, and the dean's list. She attended law school, also at Alabama, and was



one of only nine women in her freshman class. She graduated in 1974, ranked at the top the class.

Her outstanding law school record led to a clerkship with the U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit, in New Orleans. Afterwards she was briefly in private practice before joining the U.S. Department of Labor, first in Nashville, Tenn., then moved to headquarters in Washington, D.C. Ms. Saik specialized in wage and hour law, investigating and prosecuting violations of federal laws protecting workers and workplace conditions.

When Ms. Saik left the Department of Labor and settled in Bay St. Louis, she elected to become a single practitioner, rather than joining a law firm. Her area of expertise was writing appeals, in both civil and criminal law.

Always an advocate for civil rights and women's rights, Ms. Saik was involved in early feminist groups in college and law school and did volunteer work for causes she supported throughout her career. She was a member of the Louisiana and District of Columbia Bar Associations.

Hurricane Katrina completely destroyed her home

on the Jourdan River, although she had safely evacuated. A rental house she owned in the Fourth Ward, at Third and Ballentine streets, was severely damaged in the storm, but standing. Ms. Saik restored that house and lived there the rest of her life. After Katrina, she cut back on her law practice, finally retiring. She filled her life with friends, travel, and her Bay St. Louis community. Her volunteer activities included serving on the board of the Bay St. Louis Little Theater, trapping feral cats for treatment, lending a hand at events like Second Saturday, donating her photographs for fundraisers, and helping anyone who crossed her path. She was involved in the founding of Friends of the Animals, which eventually became the major focus of her volunteering, both through hands-on and financial.

Another big part of her Bay St Louis life was writing for Shoofly Magazine, which began life as a lively neighborhood digital newsletter, The Fourth Ward Cleaver.

A lifelong devotee of travel, Ms. Saik's adventurous explorations of the world increased with every decade. She loved visiting new places, whether an unknown corner of the United States or abroad. She spent time in Morocco, her visits enhanced by former Bay St. Louis resident Lori Gordon, travelled to Venice for Carnival, and

DANNY MARK SMITH

Danny Mark Smith, age 55, passed away on Thursday, December 12, 2019, in Gulfport, Mississippi.

He was preceded in death by his father, Walter Ray Smith Sr., and his mother Barbara Jo Smith.

He is survived by his two daughters, Brittany Smith and Brooke Howard, and their mother Sherri Howard, along



with his only grandson, Connor Mark Smith.

He is also survived by four sisters, Shermaine (Barry) Chappell, Diane

(Eric) Henley, Sandra (Chico) McClure and Nicole (C.J.) Grabert. He is also survived by three brothers, Walter Smith (Wanda); Douglas Smith (Havalynn); and Timothy Smith (Cindy); as well as 18 nieces and nephews an numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, December 21, 2019,m at noon at 1980 Washington St., Bay St. Louis, MS.

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and independently owned, are not dying. They are changing. It's rough. But it is not death."

I've been with this newspaper since July 1999. That's a long time, and I've seen a lot of changes.

On Friday, Dec. 6, I watched the last newspaper that will ever be printed here at the Sea Coast Echo roll off the press, because we are now outsourcing the printing. I watched with tears in my eyes as they shut the press down for the last time.

It hurt my soul, it really did. It was painful.

But it was not death. It was change.

The industry went through huge changes in the '90s, when everyone went from physical paste-up to computer pagination. Then in the early 2000s, digital photography became cheaper to use than film. Each evolution meant fewer people were needed.

We faced that same situation here again last week, and some of the colleagues we lost had been with us for many years. Again, it was painful.

We have always been sort of an extended family here at the Echo.

We are not some faceless, drone-filled organization.

We're your friends and neighbors. We care as much as you do about what's going on, and we are just as affected by current events as you are.

With that in mind, I'd like to introduce you to the current Sea Coast Echo team.

I'm Geoff Belcher, and I'm now the Echo's gener-

al manager. I've been here for the past 20 years, and if you don't know me, you've at least seen me out and about taking photos at just about every major public event. I write stories, take photos, sell ads, do some page layout, drive the forklift, whatever needs to be done. I'm pretty much a jerk of all trades.

Cassandra Favre is our news editor. She's a Hancock County native who has been with the Echo for a few years now, and her family has a long history with the paper. She covers events and meetings, takes photographs and tells local people's stories and writes about her own life in her columns with a great deal of heart and wit. She also does the lion's share of the page layout now, and for that, I am forever grateful.

Jason Platz, our graphic artist, is also a Hancock County native, and is a true artist in every sense of the word. Jason not only builds most of the ads in the Echo, he also creates many of the unique design cues which you won't find at most other newspapers our size. When he's not working here, he's hard at work on an ever-changing series of projects of his own, and his entire home in Bay St. Louis is an avant-garde art installation.

Leslie Aubé (pronounced "Obi" like that Kenobi fella) is our marketing specialist. Leslie is the newest member of our team, but she has more than 25 years' experience in the business. She came to us from New Mexico this past June. While she isn't a native, she is a people person and has quickly woven herself into the fabric of the community. She

is also passionate about theatre and has been in several local performances. If you need an ad or a marketing plan, do yourself a favor and give her a call.

Nathan Schuver is our business manager, taking care of the legals, classifieds and bookkeeping. Nathan came to us as a tech guy a couple of years ago from our sister paper in Branson, Mo., ended up helping out on the press and has grown to be so much more. He literally grew up in the business, since his dad is an industry veteran. He's also one of the nicest human beings you're ever likely to meet.

So that's it. That's our ground team, for now.

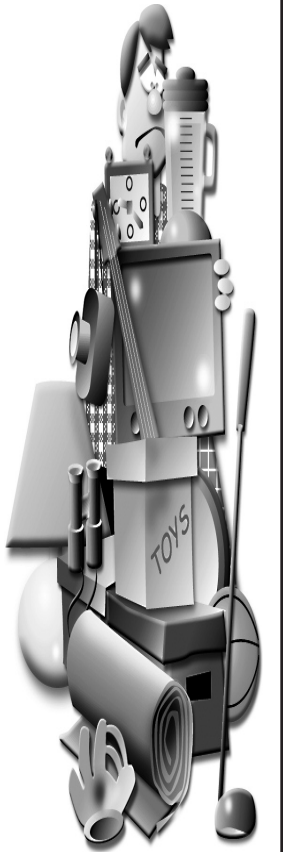
There will always be a need for local news coverage. The only thing that will ever change is the way we deliver it. Our delivery method may have changed a bit, but our mission remains the same.

Cassandra wrote last week that it was "the end of an era," and it was. But it's also the beginning of a new one.

We are embarking on a new journey, and I'm excited about it.

We hope you'll join us and support us along the way.

Things Piling Up?



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It Need Not Always Be from Scratch

BY LINDA BIGLER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Since I have been teaching cooking for more years than most people have been alive, I have always been in favor of following culinary protocol when conducting classes. Since I have swapped my apron for a computer, those days are behind me. There are times when laborious cooking methods need to be swapped for more rapid methods of preparation. To be truthful, most people will have no idea that the following recipes were not made from scratch.

This first recipe calls for the baking mix we use to make biscuits, but with a few additional ingredients we are making scones.

Chocolate Pecan Scones
2 and one fourth cups baking mix (I use Bisquick)
One fourth cup cocoa
Two thirds cup sugar
One half cup buttermilk or plain yogurt
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

One half cup chopped toasted pecans

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Grease a cookie sheet or line it with parchment paper. Combine baking mix and cocoa until well blended. Stir in the sugar, buttermilk, egg, and vanilla. Add pecans and stir lightly until incorporated into the dough. Lightly dust a surface with additional baking mix and turn out the dough. Knead 6 to 8 times. Pat dough into an

8-inch circle and place on prepared cookie sheet. Score the dough into 8 wedges without separating. Brush the top with a little additional buttermilk or yogurt and sprinkle with about a teaspoon of sugar. Bake about 12 minutes, remove from oven, carefully cut the scored wedges with a serrated knife. Serve at once with clotted cream or marmalade.

Makes 8 scones
Nutty Crescents
One half cup brown sugar
One half cup chopped toasted pecans
2 tablespoons softened butter
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 package refrigerated crescent rolls
One half cup powdered sugar

2 to 3 teaspoons milk
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper. Combine sugar, nuts, butter, and cinnamon. Remove dough from container and divide into 8 triangles. Divide sugar mixture into 8 equal portions.

Place a portion of sugar mixture on the wide end of the triangle and spread slightly, leaving a one-inch space on the point. Starting at the wide end, roll loosely and shape into a crescent. Continue with the remaining filling and dough triangles. Place 1 inch apart on the prepared baking sheet. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes. Remove from oven, let cool for 5 minutes while making glaze. Combine powdered sugar and milk, stir until

smooth, and drizzle over warm crescents.

Makes 8
These muffins might get those picky eaters in your family to eat broccoli, but who knows. I have a 3-year-old great-grandson who survives on air. Well, on occasion I have seen him eat potato chips, chicken nuggets, and ice cream.

Cheddar and Broccoli Muffins
3 cups buttermilk baking mix
2 eggs, lightly beaten
Two thirds cup milk
1 cup (4 ounces) shredded pepper Jack cheese
1 box (10 ounces) chopped broccoli, thawed and well drained
One half teaspoon salt
One fourth teaspoon pepper

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine baking mix, eggs, and milk. Mix until just blended, do not overmix. Fold in cheese and broccoli until just combined. Taste for seasoning. Line a muffin pan with cupcake liners or spray with cooking spray. I recommend the liners, unless you love washing muffin pans. Evenly place batter in the muffin cups. I use a scoop to do this. Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until golden brown. Remove muffins from pan and serve warm.

Makes 12
Brownie Pie
1 box fudge brownie mix
2 eggs

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The Community CALENDAR



DECEMBER 19

• The Kiln Public Library, located at 17065 Hwy. 603, will host A Down Home Christmas at 6 p.m. Santa Claus will arrive by fire truck and refreshments will be served.

DECEMBER 21

• Santa will arrive by boat the Bay St. Louis Harbor during Santa, Boats, and a Bonfire. There will be photos with Santa, music, and a bonfire. It begins at 4 p.m.

DECEMBER 22

• There will be a Hanukkah Menorah Lighting and Latke brunch at the 100 Men Hall, located at 303 Union St., Bay St. Louis. Jazz brunch featuring Panorama Jazz Band. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to noon.

DECEMBER 24

• WW — formerly known as Weight Watchers — will meet Tuesdays at the Hancock County Resource Center,

located at 454 Hwy. 90, Waveland, led by Wellness Coach Anne Hale and team. Weigh-in (wellness check-in) at 5 p.m. and the Workshop begins at 5:30 p.m. Invite a friend.

DECEMBER 28

• The NAACP will host a Kwanzaa celebration which will also feature a Kinara lighting and more at St. Rose de Lima Holy Spirit Center, located at 303 S. Necaise Ave., Bay St. Louis. The event begins at 7 p.m. Tickets \$20, call 228-669-4400.

DECEMBER 31

• Ring in the New Year with music, fireworks, and a special themed drop. Located on Beach Boulevard across from 200 N. Beach restaurant in Bay St. Louis.

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Workshop begins at 5:30 p.m. Invite a friend.

JANUARY 7

• Tuesday, January 7, at 7 p.m. at 307 2nd Avenue in Hattiesburg. The history of intentional communities in Mississippi. Jefferson Davis' older brother experimented with utopian ideas at Davis Bend — later known as Mound Bayou. Grandeur Age Colony was a socialist colony in Gulfport in the late 19th century. Several cooperative farms, intentional Christian communities, and colonies existed in the state during the 20th century. The more recent communities of Camp Sister Spirit and Krishna community, Govinda Gardens in Carriere, will also be discussed. This program, by Dr. Thomas Kersen, associate professor of sociology at Jackson State University, is presented courtesy of the Mississippi Humanities Council. All meetings are free and open to the public. The Genealogy Library is open Saturdays 9:00-2:00, Wednesdays, 9:00-1:00, and at 6:00 p.m. before

JANUARY 27

• Join us for Homeschool Monday: Engineering as we explore concepts and engage in hands on activities! Activities are geared for homeschoolers ages 12 and under, but of course everyone is welcome! Homeschool Monday activities will be held from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Special Lab: Rube-Goldberg (Ages 11 and up)! Learn about simple machines, conservation of energy, and chain reactions. We will use simple machines to build a Rube-Goldberg device to perform a simple task using a very complicated process. The cost for this class is \$3 per student and must be paid online in advance. Admission fee of \$9 per person is to be paid at upon arrival. This class is for ages 11 and up and is open to 20 participants. The class will run from 9:30 a.m. to approximately 10:30 a.m. on January 27 as a part of Engineering Home School Monday. If you have any questions please contact

FEBRUARY 15

• Who will win the key to the room? That's the buzz around Holy Trinity Catholic School (HTCS) in Bay St. Louis these days. Holy Trinity will launch its fundraising event, Coastal Charm, on Saturday, February 15, 2020, featuring "The Room." According to HTCS PTO President Julie Holmes, "The Room," valued at more than \$10,000, will be furnished exclusively by businesses along the Gulf Coast with furniture and accessories fitting the Coastal Charm theme. Raffle tickets are \$100 and only 150 will be available for purchase. One lucky winner will be drawn the night of the event. The Coastal Charm event will also host live music, a silent auction, beverages and food. The event will be held from 7-11 p.m. at Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center on Beach Boulevard in Bay St. Louis. Holmes adds,

APRIL 25, 2020

• Bay Senior High School Class of 1970 has scheduled its 50th class reunion. All classmates and friends of the class are invited to call Cheryl at 228-206-0432 for more information.

Disclaimer: Events featured on the calendar page are printed at no charge and space permitting. Please keep submissions limited to about 100 words or less. Submissions are limited to community, educational, churches and non-profit organizations. Please submit your calendar entries electronically to gbelcher@seacoastecho.com.

4 H Kids Garden Club

SEA COAST ECHO

The 4 H hosts a monthly free elementary age, children's garden club here in Bay St. Louis. The group meets the 2nd Saturday from 9 – 10am in the Community Garden on the corner of Bookter and St. Francis St. weather permitting. The alternative meeting site is at the extension office (856 Suite B, Hwy 90 Bay St. Louis , MS 39520)

Activities include gardening, hosting a bed in the community garden, education about gardening, crafts and snack. In addition to the monthly meeting, the club also includes community activities including hosting a children's booth at the annual Relay for Life, an annual plant sale the 2nd

Saturday in August, and participating in Bay St. Louis' Christmas parade where plant seeds are distributed to the community.

In 2020, the club already has scheduled guest teachers including oceanographers and members of the Hancock County Master Gardeners. In addition to regular gardening activities, the children will plant succulents to take home, creating trees from oyster shells, learn about soil and rocks, and map the community garden to develop mapping skills. This year, the Community Garden will be adding a greenhouse which will also be integrated into the children's activities. Guidance and leadership for the program is provided by the Extension Office Agent, Dr. Christian Stephenson.

All are welcome to the program which generally targets children kindergarten to 7th grade. Parents, grandparents, guardians and foster parents are welcome to attend with the children. Preregistration for the program is not required but it is helpful to have a head count of participants for planning activity resources and snacks.

Save the Dates: Special activity dates for 2020 are:

Saturday, April 4 Relay for Life
Saturday, August 8 Plant Sale at Social Chair

Saturday, December 5 Bay St Louis Christmas Parade

For more Information: contact Dr. Christian Stephenson at c.stephenson@msstate.edu or 228-467-5456

Pass Christian Elementary School national recognized for success in 2019

SEA COAST ECHO

The National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators (NAESPA) is pleased to announce that Pass Christian Elementary School from Pass Christian, Mississippi has been named a National ESEA Distinguished School by the state education agency in Mississippi. Pass Christian Elementary School is one of up to 100 schools throughout the country that is being nationally recognized for exceptional student achievement in 2019.

A project of the NAESPA, the National ESEA Distinguished Schools Program publicly recognizes qualifying federally funded schools for the outstanding academic achievements of their students. It highlights the efforts of schools

across the country making significant improvements for their students. The program has been in place since 1996, showcasing the success of hundreds of schools in one of three categories:

Category 1: Exceptional student performance and academic growth for two consecutive years

Category 2: Closing the achievement gap between student groups for two or more consecutive years

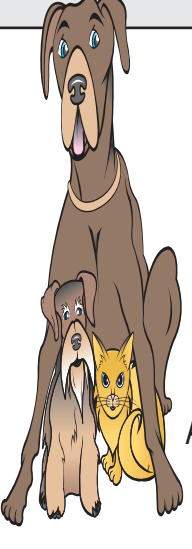
Category 3: Excellence in serving special populations of students (e.g. homeless, migrant, English learners, etc.)

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) provides additional resources for vulnerable students and federal grants to state educational agencies to improve the quality of public elementary and secondary education.

The Association is a membership

organization made up of State ESEA Program Administrators, and their staff from each of the states and territories, charged with managing their state federal education program. They ensure compliance with federal regulations, but more importantly work to see that all children — especially those living in economically disadvantaged conditions — have the opportunity to receive a high-quality education.

NAESPA implements the National ESEA Distinguished Schools Program to highlight selected schools that have successfully used their ESEA federal funds to improve the education for all students—including economically disadvantaged students. More information about all National ESEA Distinguished Schools is available on the ESEA Network website: www.ESEANetwork.org.



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habits in hopes of determining if he is house and crate trained. Cliff was very affectionate with the kids he met recently here at the shelter, so we feel that he could join a family with children. He would also be a cool companion for an active single person, couple or retirees. Please stop by the shelter at 7175 Texas Flat Rd, Kiln, and visit Cliff. He just might be the perfect addition to your family. Call 466 4516 for more information, and visit our Facebook page, Hancock County Animal Shelter, MS, to see more pictures of Cliff, and of the many other wonderful, adoptable animals looking for their forever homes.

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beneficial because it is geographically focused; community-based; involves public stakeholders at the federal, state and local levels; is aided by strategic watershed plans; based on sound science; integrates multiple programs; and facilitates the establishment of sustainable policies and revenue streams, structural and non-structural solution, and micro and macro level solutions.

The watershed management is a cycle, Dahmash said, which begins with building public support, data collection and evaluation, characterizations and quantification, prioritization and targeting, plan development, and implementation.

Dahmash said his firm identified 95 sites in Hancock County. The county has 27 watersheds and 17 of those have identified drainage issues including: Rotten Bayou, Cutoff Bayou-Jourdan River, Campbell Bayou-Bayou Caddy, White Cypress Creek-Hickory Creek, Lower Bayou La Croix, Mulatto Bayou, Lower Devils Swamp-Bayou Philip, Bayou Talla-Jourdan River, Bayou La Terre, Saint Louis Bay, Bayou Bacon, Pearlinton-Pearl River, Blacksnake Creek-Mill Creek, Mikes River, Catahoula Creek, Crane Creek, and Sandy Creek-Wolf River.

Dahmash said that each site is characterized by: Project type, a timeline, potential funding from sources other than the county, required permits, how construction-ready the site is, whether more study is required, and the opinion of probable costs.

Dahmash said that the sites were also ranked using a preliminary hazard criteria and were classified as high-, medium-, or low-priority based on: Whether the site is an imminent threat to health, safety, or welfare; will it result in a reduction in property damage, increased function of transportation systems, and other costs of flooding; number of residences/businesses benefitted; whether the lifecycle cost be less if

constructed or purchased; whether the project will enhance property values; and has the county received complaints from citizens/or businesses.

Dahmash said that the high priority sites, in no particular order, are: Idlewood Pond; Diamondhead Drive East at Aukai Place; Watershed Basin G at Hilo Way to Hapuna Place; Watershed Basin G on Diamondhead Drive East; Anahola Place and Anahola Court; Ahuli; Lots 7 and 8 Block 7 Phase 2 - Diamondhead; Turnberry; Hollywood Blvd.; Stennis Airport Road; Stennis Airport South of Runway; Central Avenue/Washington Street intersection; and Central Avenue railroad ditch.

Another part of the analysis involved encroachment, Dahmash said, and 73 sites were located in a flood zone with 22 sites outside of the flood zone.

Dahmash recommended that the county adopt a five-year action plan to establish and implement a program with a two-year initial program establishment phase and a three-year program implementation phase.

Dahmash also recommended that county establish a countywide or watershed-based integrated stormwater program; restructure policies and ordinances to align with LID and Green Infrastructure Principles; and update floodplain management policies.

The total estimated costs for the program is about \$109.2 million, Dahmash said.

The estimated program establishment cost would be about \$2.9 million with \$1.8 million over the first two years; \$1.1 million over the next three years; and a project implementation cost of \$106.2 million.

He also listed some potential funding sources including: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service; EPA/MDEQ; GOMESA funds; and local assessments/service fees.

Dahmash said it would be the second program of its kind in the state.

At the Dec. 2 meeting, Hancock County Board of

Supervisors President Blaine LaFontaine said that he believes the county has "enough revenue to get this started," should the board decide to formally start this endeavor.

He also added that it would provide an opportunity for the cities and county to partner and benefit from the program.

In other action: Monday's meeting marked the last for outgoing District 1 Supervisor David Yarborough, who served 16 years on the board, and District 3 Supervisor LaFontaine, who served four years. Incoming board members, District 1 Supervisor Theresa Ryan and District 3 Supervisor Kodie Koennen will assume their duties at the first meeting of the new year, which is scheduled for Jan. 6 at 9 a.m.

The board also accepted outgoing Circuit Clerk Karen Ladner-Ruhr's letter of retirement. Her last official day is Dec. 31. The board approved a motion appointing Kendra Necaise as interim circuit clerk, effective Jan. 1, until her official swearing-in date.

Shelley Michael, field director for Marsy's Law in Mississippi, spoke to the board about the proposed law.

"Marsy's Law is all about crime victims' rights," she said. "What this is designed to do is basically give a person who is a victim of the crime equal rights similar to those afforded the accused and convicted, nothing more, nothing less. Like being told when a person has been released on bail, the right to restitution, the right to attend probation and parole hearings if you choose to, and basically just a right to know the know how the trial process works."

She said that there are laws in Mississippi for crime victims but "they're not enforceable."

In order for Marsy's Law to be placed on a Mississippi ballot, it has to pass through both the houses of legislature and receive two-thirds votes, she said.

"This year, in Mississippi's House of

Representatives, Marsy's Law passed with the two-thirds required and missed the Senate by one vote," Michael said. "Incidentally, the legislative leaders in this area, House and Senate, supported Marsy's Law in the last legislative session. We feel certain that we will do a lot better next year as the support for Marsy's Law has been overwhelming."

Michael said that she and her team have traveled to other states, cities, counties, and other organizations to promote awareness for the law.

Michael also gave the reason for the creation of Marsy's Law. Marsy was a resident of California in 1984.

"She dated a guy who was bad news and her family told her on numerous occasions to get rid of him," Michael said. "And she eventually did, but he found her, stalked her, and murdered her. Five days, just five days, after this guy was arrested for the crime, the family ran into him at the local grocery store. They had no idea he was released on bail. Needless to say, the confrontation with the family was very traumatic. Fast-forward many years later, Marsy's brother became a wealthy business owner and he decided what happened to his family should never happen to another family in this country. So he met with a team of legal experts, and those legal experts helped him develop a crime victims' rights bill, which is now called Marsy's Law."

Michael asked the board for its endorsement of Marsy's Law. She said that about one-third of the United States is now under Marsy's Law.

The board took no action on Monday and will review the matter further.

Bay St. Louis city coun-

cilmen Jeffrey Reed and Gary Knoblock approached the board to request a resolution for the Depot District.

Reed said there is a \$2 million grant opportunity, with a \$400,000 match from the city.

"The Depot District has been a very important link in the city of Bay St. Louis," Reed said.

Reed said that upgrading the Depot District will be the "key to Bay St. Louis moving forward."

"We're requesting a resolution from you gentlemen in support of putting together a package to present it to the legislature to see if we can get this \$2 million grant from BP for the upgrading of our Depot District," Reed said.

Knoblock also added that the city is working on some concepts to create a route from the Depot to Old Town Bay St. Louis; constructing an amphitheater; and some playground equipment.

"I think it's a lot of good things that come out of this," Knoblock said. "It would also be in preparation if the Amtrak train does actually come through here, we do have to do some renovations and do some ADA improvements to the Depot. Those have to happen regardless."

Knoblock said that at the recent railway commission meeting, "they also approved the funding for a \$25,000 match, they are going to provide \$50,000 for some of those ADA improvements."

Knoblock said that the city was not asking the board for any financial commitment, just a resolution of support.

The board unanimously passed a resolution of support.

The board approved docket line item for the monthly \$15,000 payment to Philip's Pest Control.

The matter had been tabled pending an outstanding request for documentation. LaFontaine said that the company did take county officials to look at traps last week.

County Administrator Eddie Favre said seven locations were identified, six of which were gravid traps.

"It was obvious from the gravid traps that they had been there some time," he said. "They were not in operation as that's only during the months specified."

LaFontaine said that the reason why the county wanted to confirm the trap locations is because "we were showing an 80 percent decrease in mosquito population over a period of four years in comparison to the previous."

LaFontaine asked Favre if the county confirmed the chemicals. Favre said "no."

Supervisor Scotty Adam said that he was shown a copy of a "sheet where he did purchase chemicals."

"I don't remember exactly what the time frame was, but he did show me," Adam said. "Blaine, keep in mind the contract says that what they have to use. It doesn't say anything about them having to show it to us."

The contract states that Philip's Pest Control has to use chemicals approved by the federal and state EPA, Adam added.

The motion passed four to one, with LaFontaine voting "no."



• SCRATCH

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1 stick butter, melted
One fourth cup water
1 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

1 frozen (9 inch) prepared pie crust in pan

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine brownie mix, eggs, butter, and vanilla. Stir with a spoon until well blended, do not over mix. Fold in chocolate chips. Pour into pie crust. Bake on lowest oven rack for 40 to 45 minutes. Cool completely. Serve

with ice cream or whipping cream.

Serves 8
Cinnamon Cranberry Monkey Bread
2 loaves (16 Ounce each) frozen dough thawed
1 cup dried cranberries
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
One half cup (1 stick) butter, melted

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Place thawed dough on a lightly floured surface and knead together. Knead the cranberries into the dough. Cover with a clean towel and let rest for 15 minutes. In a small bowl, combine sugar and cinnamon.

Coat a Bundt pan with non-stick spray. Cut the dough into 32 pieces and shape into balls. Dip each ball into melted butter, then roll in sugar mixture. Layer dough balls into prepared pan. Sprinkle dough balls with any remaining cinnamon sugar. Cover let rise for about 45 minutes or until doubled. Bake about 30 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on wire rack for about 5 to 10 minutes. Turn bread out onto a serving plate. Serve warm.

Serves 6 to 8

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Homestead exemption applications will be accepted from **January 2, 2020 through April 1, 2020**, office located at 854 Highway 90 Suite C., Applications must be filed in the Bay St. Louis office of Hancock County Tax Assessor between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
You must be living in your home on or before **January 1, 2020** to qualify for homestead exemption. The property must be your primary residence in order to qualify.

The following information is needed to file your application.

- A) Warranty deed
- B) Cost of property
- C) Down payment amount
- D) License plate numbers for vehicles registered in Hancock County.
- (All vehicles owned must be registered in Hancock County.)
- E) If you are age 65 or older, proof of age is required
- F) If you are receiving 100% disability benefits, proof of your disability is required
- G) Is any part of the property rented

You must re-file your homestead exemption application if

- A) You became over 65 on or before January 1, 2020
- B) You became 100% disabled service Connected veteran on or before January 1, 2020
- C) You acquired a new residence
- D) You acquired additional property that adjoins your homestead
- E) Your marital status changed (divorced, widowed, separated, etc.)

If you have any questions please call

228-467-5727

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hancock County Board of Education Regular Monthly Meetings for 2020 are scheduled as follows and will begin at 5:30 p.m.

- **January 6, 2020**
- **February 3, 2020**
 - South Hancock Elementary School, 6590 Lakeshore Rd., Bay St. Louis, MS
- **March 2, 2020**
 - West Hancock Elementary School, 23350 Highway 43, Picayune, MS
- **April 1, 2020**
- **May 4, 2020**
- **June 1, 2020**
- **July 2, 2020**
- **August 3, 2020**
- **September 3, 2020**
 - Hancock North Central Elementary School, 6122 Cuevas Town Rd., Kiln, MS
- **October 5, 2020**
 - East Hancock Elementary School, 4221 Kiln Delisle Rd., Kiln, MS
- **November 2, 2020**
 - Hancock Middle School, 7070 Stennis Airport Dr., Kiln, MS
- **December 10, 2020**
 - Hancock High School, 7084 Stennis Airport Dr., Kiln, MS

Unless noted otherwise, the meetings will be held in the Board Meeting Room of the Office of the Superintendent of Education at 17304 Highway 603, Kiln, Mississippi.

For further information, including agenda matters, please visit www.hancockschools.net.

DEVOTIONAL PAGE

SEEING NEW FRIENDS GO AWAY

BY GARY ANDREWS

On occasions my wife and I are able to take a camping trip in our motorhome. Most of the time it is with our children and grandchildren and the memories made are tremendous. These trips are always special because we not only have special family time but we meet others that we haven't seen before and may never see again after we leave our campsite.

Recently we had the opportunity of spending an entire week in the Georgia Mountains. My oldest grandson had a ball tournament and not only did we make new acquaintances, we got to see some of our old friends we had made earlier at ball tournaments.

Being around people you know makes it easy to share your faith in Christ, however some of these people you have been around only a few days, maybe a few hours, is more difficult because you never know how they are going to receive the good news. Regardless of where we are or where we go, we are going to find the opportunity to tell someone about Jesus.

I have found out that most of the people that we come in contact with have a personal relationship with Christ and welcome the

conversation that is brought up. On these camping trips I have found very few, if any, non-believers or outright atheists. There may have been some agnostics along the way, but none of them would challenge our conversation or shun us from being neighborly.

Spending seven days next to a couple from Pennsylvania but now lives in Georgia has been a real treat. These two have been very gracious, helpful, polite, and desirous of our friendship. My wife and I really hated to see the week end because of our new friends knowing that we may not cross paths again. They left a day earlier than we did and it was hard to look at the empty spot next to us.

This is the way life is. We have people come into our lives and then leave and for many of us it leaves a hole in our heart for a while. This creates a feeling of loneliness but we know in our heart that the Lord will provide for the future. We will make new friends when we go camping again and we will keep the fond memories of friends we made while camping in Georgia. So it is with our loved ones and friends that we are around most of our lives. When these leave it usually is through death and we know for sure that we

will never be reunited while on earth.

However we as Christians know for sure that one day we will be reunited with all of those that have gone before us and now lives with Jesus in eternity. The loneliness of losing a friend or a family member may linger with us for a while but we need to remember what our Lord told us in Mark 16:15; "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

It is my hope that someday we will see our friends that we made during our week long camping trip again and if we do it will be a great joy. For those of us that have lost loved ones we know for sure we will see them again when we go home to be with the Lord also.

Prayer: Dear God thank you for the opportunity of meeting new people and making new friends. I pray for all of them that we have met and ask that you look after them and take care of them. Lord I pray that all of them know you personally also. Amen.

Gary Andrews is the author of Encouraging Words: 30 days in God's Word. If you would like to have a copy send \$15.00 check or money order to Gary Andrews at 504 Enchanted Drive, Yazoo City, MS 39194.

SUGGESTED DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY -
1 PETER 3:13-17
MONDAY -
JEREMIAH 1:7-8
TUESDAY -
MATTHEW 5:13-16
WEDNESDAY -
PSALM 40:9-10
THURSDAY -
2 TIMOTHY 1:8-12
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Catahoula Missionary Baptist Church 22140 Hwy. 43 South, Hancock Co.	CATHOLIC Annunciation Catholic Kiln-DeLisle Rd. Kiln 255-1800	Diamondhead United Methodist 5305 Noma Drive Diamondhead 255-6888	Southern Outreach Ministries 295 Hwy. 90, Suite 11 Bay St. Louis Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship service, 11 a.m.; Bible study, Wed., 7p.m.
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First Baptist Church Franklin & Hancock St. Pearlington 533-6030	St. Ann Catholic Clermont Harbor Bay St. Louis 467-5128	Holmes Chapel United Methodist Hwy 604 Pearlington	Zacchaeus Community Church 106 Turner Street Bay St. Louis Sunday, 10 a.m. Pastor Robert Gales 493-9944
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Bay High Steppers claim 'Hip-Hop' state title



The Bay High Steppers pose with their state championship banner and trophy for their title in the small varsity hip-hop category earned last week in Jackson at the Mississippi Coliseum.

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The Bay-Waveland School District has a long and storied history in the state's cheerleading and dance competitions. The Bay High Steppers, the school's dance team, added to that history last week with a state championship in the small varsity hip-hop category.

What is even more impressive for the accomplishment is this is the first time the Steppers have entered this division at the state championship level. Also at the state championships, the Steppers placed fourth in the small varsity jazz division.

Bay High principal Dr. Amy Coyne commented, "This accomplishment is one that I am so very proud of, however, I'm not surprised."

This group of young ladies and their coach are dedicated, focused, purposeful and committed to anything that is put in front of them and they make it all look so easy. Competing in hip hop was so much fun to watch. The energy was high. The dance was clean and it was a true crowd pleaser. As we say in the BWSD, it's a great day to be a Tiger! I sure do love mine."

The choreographers for the hip-hop number are Miranda Compretta and Maycee Scardino while the jazz number was choreographed by Markos Williams.

Angie Favre is the head coach for the Bay High Steppers. She puts in a full day working with the Steppers in addition to teaching reading and working with Special

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Collins steps down at BHS

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

Bay High head football coach Eric Collins stepped down from that position after just one season on Monday to accept the same role at East Central High School.

Collins, who has 38 years of coaching experience in Mississippi and Louisiana, turned the Tigers into a winner with a 5-4 record after the school had won just three games in the previous three years.

Dr. Amy Coyne, Principal of Bay High School, stated, "We hate to see Coach Collins leave us but are grateful for his contributions during his time at Bay High."

Prior to taking the job at Bay High, Collins spent three years at d'Iberville where he went 18-16. Before d'Iberville, Collins coached at PRC for six years and led the Blue Devils to a 42-31 mark and a Class 5A South State title appearance in 2015.

Collins was also a head coach at Tupelo High School and had coaching stops in Louisiana at Archbishop Hannan, Jesuit and Chalmette.

Collins stated that the new coaching location will be 20-plus miles from home rather than the hour-plus commute he is making to Bay St. Louis.

He is replacing Seth Smith at East Central who



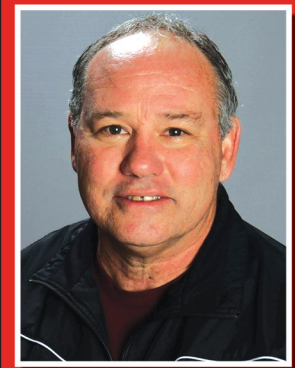
Eric Collins

left a month ago to become the head coach at Pearl River Community College. Smith was 53-34

in seven seasons at East Central with a Class 4A South State championship in 2017.

A search is currently being conducted for Collins' replacement. The Bay-Waveland School District is hoping to announce the next head coach for the Tigers shortly after the New Year.

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by Capt. Sonny Schindler

When you stop and think about, hunting in the woods, is really the same as fishing in the water. With hunting, you need to make sure your gun, bow, tree stand, ATV, etc are all in good working order. On the water, you need to make sure your boat, trailer, tackle, electronics, etc are all working correctly before the trip as well.

In both outdoor activities, the more you do them, the better you get. Traveling, reading, talking, and LISTENING to other hunters and fishermen is a must to improve your skills in each. I've also noticed that expert fisherman, more often than not, are expert hunters as well. The highest level experts in both almost always began at an early age. The ones that can



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- Basketball: Hancock Lady Hawks at Vancleave Shootout, TBD
- Soccer: Bay High at OLA, 5:30 p.m.
- Soccer: Pass Christian vs Vancleave, 6 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
- Soccer: SSC vs Jackson Prep, 7 p.m.

-SATURDAY-

- Basketball: Hancock Lady Hawks at Vancleave Shootout, TBD
- Basketball: War on the Shore (Pass Christian vs Long Beach, 12:30 p.m.; Bay vs Hancock, 3:30 p.m.; SSC vs Poplarville, 6:30 p.m.

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SSC’s Dallas Payne named All-State first team on gridiron by MaxPreps

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaw senior wide receiver Dallas Payne was named first team All-State, regardless of classification, by MaxPreps on November 12th.

Payne, 6'4" 190-lbs, led all of Mississippi, regardless of classification, with 85 receptions for 1,231 yards and 17 touchdowns. He also added a rushing touchdown. He scored 108 points to lead SSC.

In the return game, Payne returned eight punts for 202 yards.

SSC head coach Nate



Photo by Nate Encrapera
Dallas Payne.

Encrapera stated, "We are extremely proud of what Dallas has accomplished this year. He is a highly competitive young man that has worked hard to

improve. As a coach, I have enjoyed watching him grow not just as a football player but as a young man."

Last week, Payne was named first team All-MAC for Class 4A and Co-Offensive Player of the Year in Division 8-4A.

The Rocks (6-5) were eliminated by eventual Class 4A South State champion Poplarville in the first round.

Payne is receiving interest on the gridiron. But has not made a decision where he intends to play next year.

He is also a standout basketball player and track and field athlete.



Photo by Richard Gleber
SSC senior wide receiver (#11) makes a catch against Vancleave High School earlier this season.

Rocks send three to college diamond

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws sent a trio of players on November 1st to the collegiate diamond during the early signing period in November with Braxton Bean and Dawson Strong signing with Pearl River Community College and Taylor Lafontaine inking with Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

The trio continue a trend under SSC head baseball coach Mark Logan of athletes continuing to the next level. The trio adds three more to the almost two dozen players that Logan has sent to the next level.

Senior catcher Braxton Bean signed his National Letter of Intent with Pearl River Community College. Bean stated, "When I went on my visit, I became aware of how many people I knew there or knew that attended school there. And, to have a teammate, Dawson Strong, signing with me was also reassuring. It was an easy decision once I considered all the factors. PRCC has an outstanding program coming off a World Series berth a year ago and their academics are second to none at the school. I am looking forward to taking my first steps at my new home."

Bean will remain at catcher for the Wildcats which is a position he has manned for the Rock-a-chaws for three years.

Last year, Bean hit .398 with five doubles, 36 RBIs, and 22 runs scored. On the mound, he had a 2-0 record

with 13 K's and a 3.42 ERA.

Bean added, "Playing for Coach Mark Logan and SSC, we have always be held to very high expectations. That will help me navigate the collegiate game with a more focused attitude. Coach Logan and Coach Brad Corley have helped me tremendously develop as a player and a person."

Bean stated that his biggest strength on the diamond is always finding a way to get on base while he states that he will need to improve his ability behind the plate calling the game to make the transition to the next level.

Bean is also a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes with a 3.86 GPA and is undecided on a field of study.

Taylor Lafontaine, a senior centerfielder, signed his National Letter of Intent with Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

Lafontaine, who also played football for three years, stated, "I am excited to be signing with MGCCC. I had interest from other schools by they were the only one that said I would remain in center field which is a position I have played the last three years. They have a tremendous program and will help develop me both on and off the field."

Last year, Lafontaine hit .310 with eight doubles, three triples, 37 runs scored, 14 RBIs, and 20 stolen bases in the lead off position.

He stated that his biggest asset to the team



Photo by Savanna Duckworth
Trio of Rocks sign to play at next level - Seniors Braxton Bean, Dawson Strong and Taylor Lafontaine all signed National Letter of Intent to play baseball in the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges. Bean and Strong signed with Pearl River Community College while Lafontaine inked with Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

comes at the plate with his bat speed while he must focus on his strength.

Lafontaine has a 3.40 GPA and has not decided on a field of study.

Lafontaine added, "Coach Logan and Coach Corley have prepared all of us well to be successful off the field and their discipline in preparing us that way has developed on the field."

Dawson Strong, a senior pitcher for SSC, signed his National Letter of Intent to play at PRCC. He stated, "The biggest draw for me to PRCC is that it is a place where all of my family have played ball. It is a tradition and I wanted to continue that at PRCC. That goes without saying that PRCC has an outstanding program, great facilities and top notch academics."

Last year, Strong went

5-3 on the mound with a 3.26 ERA and 69 K's. He also hit .324 with 12 doubles, one homerun, 25 RBIs and 20 runs scored.

Strong added, "SSC is the top program in the state and coaches Logan and Corley prepare their players through discipline and hard work. We are well prepared for the jump to the next level when we complete our training here both on the field and in the classroom."

Strong stated that his strength on the field is his bulldog mentality as a pitcher. He said the batter's box belongs to him and he defends it. His major emphasis for work would be to create the mentality to finish a game completely.

Strong has a 3.0 GPA and wants to pursue a career in physical therapy.

SSC head coach Mark

Logan stated, "We feel Braxton is one of the better catchers on the coast. He is a very solid defensive catcher who can also hit. That may allow him to play early on at PRCC. Taylor is a very talented outfielder who excels at all facets of the game. He's very good defensively; he swings the bat well and he also runs the bases well. Gulf Coast will like what they're getting in Taylor as a player. Dawson has worked hard the past couple years to position himself to play at the next level. We think he will have the chance to pitch and swing the bat at PRCC."

All three players will lead SSC this spring on the field in the hope of returning to the postseason after the Rocks fell to Sumrall in the second round of the Class 4A playoffs.

Pennock resigns from Pass High

BY HUNTER DAWKINS
GAZEBO GAZETTE

The cinderella story ended for the Pass Christian Pirates football teams this week.

Pass Christian Head Football Coach Blake Pennock, officially 1 resigned from his position Tuesday afternoon at the Pass Christian School Board of Trustees meeting following an 8-4 record and the first MHSAA playoff victory in team history. According to a statement released to The Gazebo Gazette by the Pass Christian School District, "Coach Blake Pennock; the PCHS head football coach, has tendered his resignation effective December 31, 2019."

"I want to thank the Pass Christian School District and the community for their support of me and my family," expressed Pennock to The Gazebo Gazette Monday afternoon. "Although our time was short, I poured my heart and soul into the program. I will forever be proud of the players and coaches for what we were able to accomplish this season and I feel confident the program is on an upward trajectory."

Sources have unofficially reported that Pennock has accepted the head football coaching position at a Jackson County school, pending school board approval.

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Education and Art.

Favre has been the coach for the Steppers for five years and this is her third state title. She has led the Steppers to two state titles in the small varsity kick division.

Favre stated, "This year we took a big chance. We decided to step out of the norm of what everyone expects the steppers to do. We decided early on that we wanted to do a hip hop dance. Something fun, entertaining and different! As the dance progressed I could see the excitement in my dancers. They were

excited to do this routine because they enjoyed what they were doing. Miranda Compretta and Maycee Scardino gave the team some amazing choreography. We competed at two competitions prior to State and the audience loved this routine, as well as, the judges! However, the competition at State was tough but my

girls proved to themselves and everyone else that they could do it! This transition to Hip Hop shows just how versatile my dancers are! They can do it all and I am so proud of each one of them. This win was definitely not achieved by any one individual, it was a complete team effort that includes the entire stepper team,

their parents, our school and our administrators! We have an amazing support system and I feel that is vital to the success of my team as dancers and as young ladies!"

Now, it is back to the drawing board and getting ready for the next season. Way to go, Steppers!

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sit in a tree , or on a boat all day seem to handle themselves differently(in a good way).

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As always, have fun and be safe



Photo submitted
From left, Rebecca Baxter, Lilly Lundgren, and Katie Koenenn participated in the Thanksgiving Day Parade at Disney World. All three are Junior Varsity All-American Cheerleaders and cheer for Saint Stanislaus.

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CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:19-cv-709-CB
BY: TRUMAN ANTHONY SCHULTZ, EXECUTOR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been issued by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 5th day of December, 2019, to the undersigned as Executor of the Estate of MARJORIE MARIE SCHULTZ, Deceased, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of MARJORIE MARIE SCHULTZ, Deceased, to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same. THIS, the 6th day of December, 2019.

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12/18/19, 12/25/19, 01/01/19

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF MICHAEL J. CUEVAS, SR.
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:19-cv-0678-JP
EXECUTOR NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF MICHAEL J. CUEVAS, SR.

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 12th day of December, 2019, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of MICHAEL J. CUEVAS, SR., deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This 12th day of December, 2019.

MICHAEL J. CUEVAS, JR.
EXECUTOR
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-6574
MS Bar No. 5091
12/18/19, 12/25/19, 01/01/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF THELMA L. HOPKINS
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:19-cv-0672-MA
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THELMA L. HOPKINS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 12th day of December, 2019, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of THELMA L. HOPKINS, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This 12th day of December, 2019.

BARRY S. MORTMEYER, EXECUTOR
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-6574
MS Bar No. 5091
12/18/19, 12/25/19, 01/01/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALTON LONNIE BRANNEN, DECEASED
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1: 19-cv-00358-MA
EVELYN DIANA BRANNEN, PETITIONER
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Any and all unknown heirs-at-law of Alton Lonnie Brannen, deceased whose place of residence, street and post office address are unknown to Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made a Defendant in a Petition to Determine Heirs filed in this Court by Evelyn Diana Ballard, Petitioner, seeking the determination of heirs at law of Alton Lonnie Brannen, deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are: any person with a claim as an heir-at-law or wrongful death beneficiary of Alton Lonnie Brannen.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 9th day of January, 2020, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse, in Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or

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pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 16th day of December, 2019.

Timothy A. Kellar
Hancock County Chancery Clerk
Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
Publication Dates: 12/18/19, 12/25/19, 01/01/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TIMOTHY TROY POUNCEY, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:19-cv-579-MA
AMANDA WALDROP, PETITIONER
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Any and all unknown heirs-at-law of Timothy Troy Pouncey, deceased whose place of residence, street and post office address are unknown to Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made a Defendant in a Petition to Determine Heirs filed in this Court by Amanda Waldrop, Petitioner, seeking the determination of heirs at law of Timothy Troy Pouncey, deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are: any person with a claim as an heir-at-law or wrongful death beneficiary of Timothy Troy Pouncey.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 9th day of January, 2020, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse, in Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 16th day of December, 2019.

Timothy A. Kellar
Hancock County Chancery Clerk
Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
Publication Dates: 12/18/19, 12/25/19, 01/01/20

THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

RANDALL C. MARTIN PLAINTIFF VERSUS
GEORGE GIVENS; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GEORGE GIVENS; GEORGE GIVENS, AS TRUSTEE; ANNA M. HENLEY; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ANNA M. HENLEY; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JOEL SMITH, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JIM HOOD, IN HIS CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH WAS SOLD FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2017

VIZ: 3RD WARD 378 BAY ST LOUIS V-1-421 SEC 00 TWP 00 RANGE 00 PARCEL #: 149N-0-30-020.000 DIST: 1050 CITY: 1 SCHOOL: 1 PIN# 000009482

DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO. 23CH1:19-988 CB
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: GEORGE GIVENS; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GEORGE GIVENS; GEORGE GIVENS, AS TRUSTEE; ANNA M. HENLEY; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ANNA M. HENLEY; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JOEL SMITH, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JIM HOOD, IN HIS CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH WAS SOLD FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2017

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NOTICE

This is a suit by RANDALL C. MARTIN, to quiet and confirm title to that certain property legally described as: DESCRIPTION OF LAND: 3RD WARD 378 BAY ST LOUIS V-1-421 SEC 00 TWP 00 RANGE 00 PARCEL #: 149N-0-30-020.000 DIST: 1050 CITY: 1 SCHOOL: 1 PIN# 000009482

RANDALL C. MARTIN being the highest and best bidder at the tax sale dated August 31, 2017 for the 2016 Hancock County, Mississippi ad valorem taxes which were not redeemed, was granted a Chancery Clerk's Conveyance for said property on October 28, 2019 which was recorded on October 29, 2019 in Book 2019 at Page 13212 in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk.

If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this property, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title and For Other Relief to the attorney for Plaintiffs, Negrotto & Associates, PLLC, c/o Lewie G. "Skip" Negrotto, IV, the attorney for Plaintiffs, whose post office address is 133 Davis Avenue, Ste. L, Pass Christian, MS 39571.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 4TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2019, WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. The address of the Clerk of this Court is 152 Main Street, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 (SEAL)

Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi
DATED: 12/27/19
By: Cassie Tribble, Deputy Clerk
Lewie G. "Skip" Negrotto, IV
NEGROTTO & ASSOCIATES, PLLC
133 Davis Avenue, Suite L
Pass Christian, MS 39571
228-222-4777
12/04; 12/11; 12/18/19

SECTION 00090

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NOTICE: Bidders

Sealed Bids will be received by the HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS at 854 HIGHWAY 90, BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520 until 10:00 A.M., on January 21, 2020, and shortly thereafter opened and read for:

HANCOCK COUNTY BEACH MAINTENANCE RE-BID

Project Manuals may be examined at the HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, 854 HIGHWAY 90, BAY ST. LOUIS, MS, at the office of the Design Engineer, Compton Engineering, Inc., 3036 Longfellow Drive in Bay St. Louis, or online at www.comptongenengineeringplans.com. The bid documents are being made available online via original paper copy or compact disc upon payment \$125.00 per paper copy and \$50.00 per compact disc. The drawings bound in the bid documents are photographic reductions of the original tracings. Cost includes shipping and handling for each set. The bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. Returned documents are not required. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for online registration. For information regarding website registration and online orders please contact Plan House Printing at 662-407-0193.

For information regarding this project, contact Compton Engineering's office at 228-467-2770 in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. Sealed paper bids may be submitted to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors at 854 HWY 90, Bay St. Louis, MS. Electronic bids can be submitted at www.comptongenengineeringplans.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Plan House Printing at 662-407-0193.

The right is reserved by the Owner to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities, and to award the Contract to serve the best interest of Owner.

HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
By: Blaine LaFontaine, President
12/07/19, 12/11/19, 12/18/19

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated June 23, 2012, executed by CHARLES EDWARD HARRISON, conveying certain real property therein described to MICHAEL LYON, as Trustee, for ONE REVERSE MORTGAGE, LLC, Original Beneficiary, to secure the indebtedness therein described, as same appears of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi filed and recorded July 10, 2012, in Deed Book 2012, Page 13719; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was transferred and assigned to Reverse Mortgage Solutions, Inc; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, Rubin Lublin, LLC has been appointed as Substitute Trustee; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee shall, on January 8, 2020 within the lawful hours of sale between 11:00AM and 4:00PM at the front door of the Courthouse proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to wit:

LAND SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK IN THE STATE OF MS INDEX AS FOLLOWS:

LOT 41, SQUARE 167, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 7, ADDITION NO. 6, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

AND

LOTS 40 AND 42, SQUARE 167, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 7, ADDITION NO. 6, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 1427 NIAGARA STREET, WAVELAND, MS 39576. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Rubin Lublin LLC
428 North Lamar Blvd, Suite 107
Oxford, MS 38655
rlselaw.com/property-listing
Tel: (877) 813-0992 Fax: (404) 601-5846
12/18/19; 12/25/19; 01/01/20; 01/08/20

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Purpose: This Request for Proposal (RFP) is to contract for a financial consultant for the Hancock Resource Center (herein referred to as HRC). Certified Public Accountants are preferred for this RFP.

Scope of Services Required: Financial Consultant will evaluate accounting practices and make recommendations related to:

- Financial system design;
- Operating reserve;
- Change fiscal year;
- Facility acquisition; and
- Negotiating an indirect cost rate (NICRA) to improve long-term viability and financial health.

Complete Scope of Services within designated timeline/benchmarks:
2/1/20-Initial meeting
2/15/20-Work Plan
3/1/20 initial report
Implementation assistance through 12/31/20.

Requirements: Respondents, in its proposal, shall, as a minimum, include the following:
Nonprofit experience, the proposal should describe its prior experience specific to the Scope of Services including the names, addresses, contact persons, and telephone numbers of prior clients.
A description of its organization, size and structure.
Respondents should describe the qualifications of staff to be assigned. The Scope of Services is not appropriate for entry-level accounting staff. Experience is required.
Respondents should describe its understanding of the work to be performed, estimated hours and cost, and other pertinent information as applies to the proposal. The proposal should include a cost to provide the Scope of Services.

Complete details for proposal requirements, may be obtained from Bryan Taylor, 228/467-8887 Ext. 101 or btaylor@hancockhrc.org.

Selection: The HRC Finance Committee will recommend award based on the following selection criteria:
Prior experience of the firm (15 points)
Qualifications of the staff that will perform Scope of Services (25 points)
Understanding of the work to be performed, including a timeline and proposed milestones (25 points)
Price (35 points)
The total maximum points = 100 points.
Contract will be awarded to the qualified firm or individual whose proposal is determined to be most advantageous to Hancock Resource Center. HRC reserves the rights to reject any or all submissions, to waive any informalities or irregularities in the qualification process, and to select more than one firm to obtain the full range of services needed.

Respondents must submit one (1) copy of its proposal labeled: "Proposal for Financial Services" to the address below. It may be hand-delivered, delivered by U.S. Postal Service or an overnight service on or before Wednesday, January 8th at 4:00 pm CST to: Proposal for Consulting Services, Hancock Resource Center, 454 Highway 90, Suite B, Waveland, MS 39576 or by email: rhodes@hancockhrc.org.
12/18/19, 12/25/19

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12/18/19, 12/25/19

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THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE MINOR SETTLEMENT OF ZACHARIE PACK
CAUSE NO. C2301-19-693(4)

DENNIS PACK PETITIONER

SUMMONS
(Service by Publication: Residence Unknown)

TO: DEBORAH A. PACK, whose last known post office and street address and place of residence is unknown to the Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry by him, and whose present whereabouts and present post office and street address are unknown to him after diligent search and inquiry by the Petitioner other than her last known post office and street address of 390 Lawler Road, Long Beach, Mississippi 39560. You have been made a Defendant in a Petition filed in the Chancery Court, of the Hancock County, Mississippi, by DENNIS PACK.

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition on January 15, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. in the Chancery Courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse in Blox, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Complaint or Petition. You are not required to file an Answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 9th day of December, 2019.

TIM KELLAR,
CHANCERY COURT CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BY: BRIDGETTE LADNER, D.C.
DEPUTY CLERK (SEAL)
PUBLICATION DATES:
12/18/19, 12/25/19, 01/01/20

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Purpose: This Request for Proposal (RFP) is to contract for a strategic planning/organizational consultant for the Hancock Resource Center (herein referred to as HRC).

Scope of Services Required: The consultant will review and make recommendations related to organizational structure including:
Succession Planning: review current policies and procedures to insure institutional knowledge is sustained if there is a leadership change;
Board Composition: review current composition and devise recruitment strategies to improve diversity and better meet organizational needs;
Staff and Board Training: train board and staff to understand and improve diversity within the organization and the connection with long-term sustainability.
Complete Scope of Services within designated timeline/benchmarks:
2/1/20-Initial meeting
2/15/20-Work Plan
4/1/20 initial report
Implementation assistance through 12/31/20.

Requirements: Respondents, in its proposal, shall, as a minimum, include the following:
Nonprofit experience, the proposal should describe its prior experience specific to the Scope of Services including the names, addresses, contact persons, and telephone numbers of prior clients.
A description of its organization, size and structure.
Respondents should describe the qualifications of staff to be assigned. Experience is required.
Respondents should describe its understanding of the work to be performed, estimated hours and cost, and other pertinent information as applies to the proposal. The proposal should include a cost to provide the Scope of Services.

Complete details for proposal requirements, may be obtained from Bryan Taylor, 228/467-8887 Ext. 101 or btaylor@hancockhrc.org.

Selection: The HRC Board Finance Committee will recommend award based on the following selection criteria:
Prior experience of the firm (15 points)
Qualifications of the staff that will perform Scope of Services (25 points)
Understanding of the work to be performed, including a timeline and proposed milestones (25 points)
Price (35 points)
The total maximum points = 100 points.
Contract will be awarded to the qualified firm or individual whose proposal is determined to be most advantageous to Hancock Resource Center. HRC reserves the rights to reject any or all submissions, to waive any informalities or irregularities in the qualification process, and to select more than one firm to obtain the full range of services needed.

Respondents must submit one (1) copy of its proposal labeled: "Sealed Proposal for Consulting Services" to the address below. It may be hand-delivered, delivered by U.S. Postal Service or an overnight service on or before Wednesday, January 8th, 2020 at 4:00 pm CST to: Proposal for Consulting Services, Hancock Resource Center, 454 Highway 90, Suite B, Waveland, MS 39576 or by email: rhodes@hancockhrc.org.
12/18/19, 12/25/19

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Purpose: This Request for Proposal (RFP) is to contract for a single audit and/or tax preparation of the Hancock Resource Center (herein referred to as HRC) for the year ended December 31, 2019. The Financial Audit report must be completed within 90 days of fiscal year-end, currently 3/31/2020. The proposal includes options for two additional years. Only licensed Certified Public Accountants may respond to this RFP.

Requirements: Respondents, in its proposal, shall, as a minimum, include the following:
Prior auditing experience, the proposal should describe its prior auditing experience including the names, addresses, contact persons, and telephone numbers of prior organizations audited including specific experience auditing non-profits. If this proposal is only for tax preparation, state prior tax experience, including names and contact information of prior organizations. If the proposal is for both the auditing and tax preparation services, this requirement applies to both services. Respondents should clearly state their purpose whether they are performing the audit and/or the tax preparation services.
A description of its organization, size and structure.
Respondents should describe the qualifications of staff to be assigned to the audits and/or tax preparation. Respondents should describe its understanding of the work to be performed, including audit procedures, tax preparation procedures, estimated hours, and other pertinent information as applies to the proposal.
The proposal should include a separate cost description for completion of the audit and the Form 990 if both services are being included.
Complete details for proposal requirements, may be obtained from Bryan Taylor, 228/467-8887 Ext. 101 or btaylor@hancockhrc.org.
Selection: Hancock Resource Center Audit Committee will recommend award based on the following selection criteria:
Prior experience (20 points)
Qualifications of organization overall and of the staff that will perform audit and/or tax preparation functions (20 points)
Understanding of the work to be performed and attestation that the audit can be completed in a timely manner (25 points)
Price (35 points)
The total maximum points = 100 points.
Contract will be awarded to the qualified firm or individual whose proposal is determined to be most advantageous to Hancock Resource Center. HRC reserves the rights to reject any or all submissions, to waive any informalities or irregularities in the qualification process, and to select more than one firm to obtain the full range of accounting and tax services needed.

Respondents must submit one (1) copy of its proposal labeled: "Proposal for Audit or Tax Services" to the address below. It may be hand-delivered, delivered by U.S. Postal Service or an overnight service on or before Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 4:00 pm CST.

Proposal for Audit Services
Hancock Resource Center
454 Highway 90, Suite B
Waveland, MS 39576
12/18/19, 12/25/19

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF KATHERINE MARCY WHITE, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:19-CV-673-JP
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION HAVING BEEN GRANTED ON THE 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019, BY THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO THE UNDERSIGNED UPON THE ESTATE OF KATHERINE MARCY WHITE, DECEASED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST SAID ESTATE TO PRESENT THE SAME TO THE CLERK OF SAID COURT FOR PROBATE AND REGISTERED ACCORDING TO LAW WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS FROM THIS DATE, OR THEY WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

THIS 21ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.

JOSEPH ANTHONY GILBERTI
ADMINISTRATOR

CAROLINE E. HAAS
HAAS & HAAS, ATTORNEYS AT LAW
201 NORTH SECOND STREET
BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520
228-467-6574
MS BAR NO. 104525
12/04; 12/11; 12/18/19

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SECTION 001113 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FROM: 1.01 THE OWNER (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS OWNER): A. Hancock County School District B. Address: Hancock County School District Administration Building 17304 Highway 603 Kilm, MS 39556 1.02 AND THE ENGINEER/ARCHITECT (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS ENGINEER/ARCHITECT): A. Machado/Padano, PLLC & MIP Design Group, PLLC B. Address: 918 Howard Avenue, Suite F Biloxi, MS 39530 228-386-1950 (Phone) 228-386-1971 (Fax) www.mpengplans.us (Web Site) www.mpengplans.us (Plan Room) 1.03 TO: POTENTIAL BIDDERS A. Your firm is invited to submit an offer under seal to Owner for construction of a building located at: 7084 Stennis Airport Rd. Kilm, MS39556 Before 2:00pm local standard time on the 21st day of January, 2020, for: B. Project Name: Hancock PAC Classroom Addition C. Project Number: 0239.19.009 D. Project Description: This project consists of the construction of a new +/- 3,000 SF addition to the existing Hancock High School Performing Arts Center and all associated site improvements as described in the Construction Documents and Specifications. E. Bid Documents for a Stipulated Sum contract may be obtained from the website of the Architect at www.mpengplans.us upon receipt of a non-refundable deposit, by cash or check, in the amount indicated on the plan room site for one set delivered in electronic PDF format. F. Bidders will be required to provide Bid security in the form of a Bid Bond of a sum no less than 5 percent of the Bid Amount or a certified check for a sum no less than 5 percent of the Bid Amount. G. Refer to other bidding requirements described in Document 002113 - Instructions to Bidders and Document 003100 - Available Project Information. H. Submit your offer on the Bid Form provided. Bidders may supplement this form as appropriate. I. If Bids are mailed or hand delivered, then they must be contained in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the project name. They must be on file as received or delivered by the time stated above to the address of the Owner stated above. Do not deliver Bids to the project address or the Architect's address. J. Electronic Bid Submission will be accepted on this project. Online bids can be placed on the website of the Architect at www.mpengplans.us. If Bids are electronically submitted, then a title page containing the same information as would occur on the front of a sealed envelope must be included and must be clearly indicated as such in the file name. K. Bids in excess of \$50,000.00 must be marked on the outside of the envelope with the contractor's Mississippi certificate of responsibility number as issued by the Mississippi Board of Contractors. L. Your offer will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 60 days after submission. M. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers. END OF SECTION 12/18/19, 12/25/19

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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK WHEREAS, on the 13th day of July, 2018, Robert L. Smith Jr., a married man, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Scott Everett, Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Everett Financial, Inc. D/B/A Supreme Lending, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Book 2018 at Page 14821; and WHEREAS, on the 31st day of July, 2019, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Everett Financial, Inc. D/B/A Supreme Lending, assigned said Deed of Trust unto PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, as Trustee therein, and WHEREAS, on the 30th day of August, 2019 the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dean Morris, LLC as Substitute Trustee by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2019 at Page 26039; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 8th day of January, 2020, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the north front door of the Hancock County courthouse located at 152 Main Street at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: A parcel of land located in the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, of Section 2, Township 6 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi being more particularly described as: Commencing at an axle found at the South-east Corner of Section 2, thence West 715.41 feet along the South line of Section 2, to an iron rod; thence continue along said South line, West 194.23 feet to an iron rod found; thence North 13 degrees 42 minutes 50 seconds West 222.93 feet to an iron rod found on the South margin of Wolf Creek Road; thence along said margin, North 74 degrees 47 minutes 37 seconds, East 210.62 feet to an iron rod; thence South 09 degrees 07 minutes 11 seconds, East 275.35 feet back to the point of beginning. Said Parcel contains 1.145 acres, more or less. I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 27th day of November, 2019, Dean Morris, LLC Substitute Trustee

Morris & Associates 855 S Pear Orchard Rd. Ste. 404, Bldg. 400 Ridgeland, MS 39157 318-330-9020 adp/F19-0427 12/18; 12/25/19, 01/01/20

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on the August 5, 2014, Judith Pires, executed a Deed of Trust to Preston J. Mauffray, Trustee for the use and benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for Movement Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust August 5, 2014, in Book No. 2014, at Page 13378 thereof; which was modified on September 21, 2017, in Book No. 2017, at Page 20372 WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by assignment on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on September 30, 2019, in Book No. 2019, at Page 21969 thereof; and WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Wilson & Associates, PLLC, as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk on October 11, 2019 in Book No. 2019 at Page 23014 thereof; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that Wilson & Associates, PLLC f/k/a Adams & Edens, P.A. Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee, during the legal hours between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the front door of the Courthouse, on January 8, 2020, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Lots 11 and 12, Blue Meadow Subdivision, as per the official plat thereof filed in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on October 5, 1953, and recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 4 Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in the aforementioned Substitute Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the 2nd day of December, 2019. Sincerely, /s/ Jillian Wilson, WILSON & ASSOCIATES, PLLC, Substitute Trustee PREPARED BY: Wilson & Associates, PLLC 400 West Capital Avenue Suite 1400 Little Rock, AR 72201 (501)219-9388 File # 341471 12/18/19, 12/25/19, 01/01/20

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on October 30, 2002, Doyle D. Bosarge executed a certain deed of trust to Charles A. Meyers, Trustee for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Realty Mortgage Corporation d/b/a Magnolia Mortgage, its successors and assigns which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 722 at Page 106; and WHEREAS, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. has heretofore substituted Shapiro & Brown, LLC as Trustee by instrument dated November 8, 2019 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2019 at Page 26731; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shapiro & Brown, LLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on January 3, 2020 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the front door of the County Courthouse at 152 Main St., Bay St. Louis, MS, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Lots 8 and 9, Block 4, Unit 1, Diamondhead, Phase 1, according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this 6th day of December, 2019. Shapiro & Brown, LLC SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE Shapiro & Brown, LLC 1080 River Oaks Drive, Suite B-202 Flowood, MS 39232 (601) 981-9299 5615 Ahokio Circle Diamondhead, MS 39525 19-025187 Publication Dates: 12/11/19, 12/18/19, 12/25/19, 01/01/20

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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF Hancock WHEREAS, on the 21st day of April, 2011, Thomas A. Mortillaro, a married person; joined herein by Jodi Mortillaro, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for IberiaBank Mortgage Company, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Book 2011 at Page 7344; and WHEREAS, on the 14th day of July, 2014, the Holder of said Deed of Trust filed a Loan Modification Agreement of Deed of Trust by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk of Court in Deed of Trust Book 2014 at Page 11953; and WHEREAS, on the 10th day of May, 2013, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for IberiaBank Mortgage Company, assigned said Deed of Trust unto Wells Fargo Bank, NA, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2013 at Page 11662; and WHEREAS, on the 20th day of July, 2018 the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dean Morris, LLC as Substitute Trustee by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2018 at Page 15516; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 8th day of January, 2020, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the north front door of the Hancock County courthouse located at 152 Main Street at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Lot 46, Royal Lots Subdivision, First Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 30th day of October, 2019. Dean Morris, LLC Substitute Trustee 855 S Pear Orchard Rd., Ste. 404, Bldg. 400 Ridgeland, MS 39157 (318) 330-9020 adp/F13-1320 PUBLISH: 12-18-2019 / 12-25-2019 / 1-1-2020

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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on July 30, 2012, Bennie D. Ozenovich, an unmarried woman and David W. Rheams, an unmarried man, executed a deed of trust to Alan E. South, Trustee for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as Nominee for First National Bank of Lorton, its successors and assigns, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 2012 at Page 16245 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi; and WHEREAS, the aforesaid deed of trust was assigned to Finance of America Reverse LLC by instrument dated June 10, 2019, and recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2019 at Page 15790; and WHEREAS, the aforesaid deed of trust was assigned to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Finance of America Structured Securities Acquisitions Trust 2019-HB1 by instrument dated October 8, 2019, and recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2019 at Page 23594; and WHEREAS, the aforesaid, Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as Trustee of Finance of America Structured Securities Acquisitions Trust 2019-HB1, the holder of said deed of trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Underwood Law Firm PLLC, as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument dated October 25, 2019 and recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2019 at Page 25652; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby, having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale; NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Underwood Law Firm PLLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on the 27th day of December, 2019, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.) at the Main front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit: The land described herein is situated in the State of Mississippi, County of Hancock and is described as follows: Parcel One: Lot 22, Block 7, Unit 5, Diamondhead, Phase 2, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4 at Pages 37-40 inclusive, in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. LESS and EXCEPTING therefrom: Chat portion of Lot 22, Block 7, Unit 5, Diamondhead, Phase 2, in Hancock County, Mississippi, described as follows: Commencing at an iron rod at the Northeast Corner of Lot 22; thence South 64 degrees 47 minutes 22 seconds East along the line common to Lots 22 and 23 a distance of 66.34 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence South 64 degrees 47 minutes 22 seconds East along said common line a distance of 63.45 feet to a point on a curve concave to the Southeast, having a radius of 50 feet, said point being on the right of way of Aulena Place; thence Southerly along said curve and right-of-way a distance of 17.01 feet to the beginning of a reverse curve concave to the Northwest having a radius of 25 feet; thence Southerly 2.99 feet along said curve and right-of-way to an iron pipe; thence North 48 degrees 33 minutes 25 seconds West 69.93 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel Two: All that part of Lot 23, Block 7, Unit 5, Diamondhead, Phase 2, in Hancock County, Mississippi, described as follows: Commencing at an iron rod at the Northwest Corner of Lot 23; thence North 63 degrees 26 minutes East along the Northerly line of Lot 23 a distance of 20.00 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 48 degrees 33 minutes 25 seconds East 56.21 feet to the line common to Lots 22 and 23; thence North 64 degrees 47 minutes 22 seconds West along said common line a distance of 66.34 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing in all, 521 square feet, more or less. Parcel Number(s): 067R-1-36-085.000 WE WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in Underwood Law Firm PLLC as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS, OUR SIGNATURE, this 21st day of November, 2019. Underwood Law Firm PLLC SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE Control# Rheams, David/Celink 11/30; 12/07; 12/12; 12/18/19

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Shopping local is the act of every day consumers, like you, making the decision to buy your produce, clothing and day to day items from a local business instead of going to a large retailer.

Shopping locally is the trendy new way to create a one-of-a-kind neighborhood.

The Shop Local/Shop Small trend has many benefits, such as building relationships within the community and helping support the local economy, all while building a more vibrant and unified society. Really, who doesn't feel a bit more warm and fuzzy knowing that they're supporting their neighbors?

When buying from business owners you trust, shopping experiences become more enjoyable because you know where the products are coming from and the people behind the products.

When you shop local, many of the goods and services are locally sourced or crafted. This means that many of your pieces are one of a kind and carry a unique story. Handcrafted jewelry, artwork from local artisans, baked goods made with recipes that have been passed down from generation to generation.... Bold: Everything has a story to tell – you get to help tell it.

Visiting local shops and restaurants and choosing to spend locally gives you the opportunity to network and befriend your neighbors. Making connections with the people that surround you encourages word-of-mouth marketing and creates the unified community that we all dream of



belonging to.

“SHOP LOCAL” BENEFITS THE ECONOMY

Choosing to spend locally allows money to be cycled back into your community, which means you are helping boost the local economy. This means opportunities for local businesses to give back in ways of sponsorships and community events. Investing in people in your area is an easy way for you to pay it forward to people in your community.

Shopping local also helps ensure your tax money (which is going to be spent anyway) is going back into your regional tax base. Local taxes are then used for parks, roads and community improvements which we all benefit from on a daily basis.

When you shop local, not only are you helping grow your area's economy, but you're helping grow the dreams of your neighbor.

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WHAT DOES SHOPPING LOCAL REALLY MEAN?

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Galveston! There are thousands of artisans and entrepreneurs in the Greater-Houston area who rely tremendously on local business to keep their dreams alive.

Shopping local can extend online. Choosing to purchase goods through sites such as Etsy or boutique online stores instead of large corporate sites allows you to support the everyday artisan and keeps these businesses alive. You provide the means for those crafters to continue working hard and doing what they love. Simple changes in online shopping habits can change people's day-to-day lives in a positive way, and all you have to do is click a mouse.

Going out, shopping at local stores and eating at local restaurants is, however, the best way to build relationships and make your community aware of your support. Putting yourself in the environment to make new friends and get to know those in your community, you are networking and potentially creating new opportunities for yourself.

Shopping locally is the perfect way to get to know people and discover new places you love!

Visiting local shops and

restaurants and choosing to spend locally gives you the opportunity to network and befriend your neighbors. Making connections with the people that surround you encourages word of mouth marketing and creates the unified community that we all dream of belonging to.

Making a point to shop local and show your support at least once a week throughout the year will change your community. So instead of waiting until Small Business Saturday to stop by a local retailer, go today to check out and uncover your new favorite places in town!

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Kiln Fire Truck Parade



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The Hancock County Senior Citizens on Thursday hosted its annual Christmas dinner and party. In the weeks leading up to the party, the seniors also collected toys for needy children.

M.A.P.'s award-winning tree



Photo submitted
M.A.P. received the "Most Creative" blue ribbon award for our tree at the BSL Library Holiday Tree Gala! Our theme was "Moana" to celebrate our summer 2020 production based on the popular Disney movie. Thank you, Korrie Sabbagh, for all of your efforts, especially the amazing treetop!! Thank you, too, Betty Patecek and Sandy Reese for help setting up the tree. The trees will be in the library until after New Year's. Be sure to stop by and see our fabulous award-winning tree!

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